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TOHONO O'ODHAM MAN SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR ASSAULT

Tucson, Ariz. – Pascal Luz, DOB 3/19/76, of the Gu Vo Village on the Tohono O'odham Nation, Ariz., was sentenced to 30 months in prison by U.S District Judge Frank R. Zapata in Tucson, Ariz. Luz been found guilty by a jury of Assault with a Dangerous Weapon on August 4, 2004.

The evidence at trial showed that in the early morning hours of March 29, 2000, Luz beat the victim with his hands, causing a bloody nose, bruises to her chin, abdomen, both breasts and arms. He then pulled a knife, placed it on her throat and threatened to kill her. During the assault, he cursed at her and called her names.

Upon completion of his prison term, Luz will be placed on supervised release for 36 months. As conditions of his supervised release, he is to participate in both substance abuse and mental health treatment. He is also directed to complete an anger management program and prohibited from the consumption of alcohol.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Tohono O'odham Nation Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution was handled by Sandra Marie Hansen, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson, Ariz.

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